

The Interagency Committee for Change by Women (ICCW) announce the winners of the 2006 Excellence in Leadership Award to recognize exemplary leaders in Montana. They are:

- Private Sector: **Richard Haraldson**, CEO, Sidney Health Center, Sidney
- Public Sector: **Carol Mason**, Executive Director, Wakina Multi Cultural Education Center, Helena
- State Government: **Sandra Straehl**, Rail, Transit and Planning Division Administrator, Montana Department of Transportation, Helena

Others nominated for their excellence in leadership:

- Kathy McCleary, Director of Sales and Marketing, Northern Broadcasting System, Billings;
- Valentine Sworts, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Lewis & Clark City-County Health Department, Helena;
- Robert Zenker, Madison County Attorney, Virginia City;
- Jeri Anderson, Institutional Services Manager, MT Department of Corrections, Pine Hills Youth Correctional Facility, Miles City;
- Denise Martin, Supervisor, Site Response Team, Remediation Division, Department of Environmental Quality, Helena;
- Cindy McKenzie, Superintendent, MT Department of Corrections, Riverside Youth Correctional Facility, Boulder;
- Gary Morehouse, Assistant Division Administrator, Business Resource Division, Montana Department of Commerce, Helena;
- Julie Pribnow, Administrative Officer, Board of Pardons & Parole, Deer Lodge;
- Rhonda Schaffer, Fiscal Bureau Chief, Montana Department of Corrections, Helena; and
- Sheena Wilson, Assistant Chief of Staff to Governor Brian Schweitzer, Helena

ICCW established this statewide award to recognize individuals who are outstanding leaders. ICCW is an organization established by Executive Order of the Governor with the mission to create positive change for all state employees by promoting the full participation of women in state government.

A ceremony in celebration of the success of the winners and nominees will be held in the Old Supreme Court Chambers, Rm 303 in the Capitol building at 2:30pm on May 17. Lt Governor John Bohlinger will be the guest speaker and present the awards. There will be a reception to follow.